THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) and (b) M/s Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. (PPL's) plant is still in the construction stage. They engage a number of contractors at the plant site for constructions work. but do not engage any contract labour themselves.

(c) There is no stoppage of work at PPL's plant site due to any violation of Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act.

(d) Does not arise.

Manufacture of Thiram by M/s. S.M.P. Pvt. Ltd.

*256. SHRI RAMANAND YADAV :

SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s S.M.P Pvt Ltd , Bombay is holding registration certificate under the Insecticides Act for manufacture of Thiram 75 per cent W P /S D ;

(b) whether Government are aware that the firm is not holding valid industrial licence to manufacture the said insecticides;

(c) whether Government are aware that the firm has not imported and has not also taken Thiram technical from indigenous manufacturers, if so, in what manner they are manufacturing Thiram 75 per cent W P /S D of pesticide grade;

(d) whether Government are allowing manufacture of Thiram 75 percent W P or Seed Dresser from rubber chemical grade of Thiram having impurities highly toxic to human beings; and

(e) if the answer to part (d) above be in the negative, what action Government propose to take against the firm and what are the reasons for not informing the seed growing agencies about these malpractices of the firm ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) to (e) The information sought is to be collected from the concerned Departments like Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Department of Industrial Development, State Government concerned etc. and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Smuggling at the Kolar Gold Fields

*257. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that large scale smuggling of gold is going on at the Kolar Gold-fields; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the steps Government have taken to check such smuggling ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b) There have been some reported cases of theft of gold in the Kolar Gold Fields of Bharat Gold Mines Limited. About 10 cases have been detected during 1985-86 and they are pending in the Court at Kolar Gold Fields.

2. The Company has taken a number of steps for preventing the theft of gold from the mines and mills. About 522 persons are engaged for security purposes which includes pre-